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Dear Mr. Cunningham:

This letter is to inform you that the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Region 7 has completed the review of the file material made available by the United States Navy to perform a Federal Facility Preliminary Assessment Review (FFPAR). The FFPAR report for the Air Force Plant #84 (aka Navel Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant, [NWIRP] St. Louis, GKN Aerospace America, Inc. and McDonnell Douglas Corp.) located in Hazelwood, St. Louis County, Missouri, is attached. The EPA's contractor assembled the material into a report that was reviewed and approved by the EPA. As part of the report, data gaps for each pathway and a Hazardous Ranking System Deficiency Checklist are provided to assist you in future decisions at the site.

All the materials in the files have been evaluated in accordance with the EPA's September 1991 "Guidance for Performing Preliminary Assessments under CERCLA" and Section 420 of the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Pollution Contingency Plan (40 CFR Part 300), commonly known as the National Contingency Plan (NCP). Appendix (A) of the NCP is the EPA's Hazard Ranking System (HRS) used to evaluate sites for inclusion on the National Priorities List (NPL). From the evaluation of the documents, the EPA has determined that the Air Force Plant #84 needs further investigation to fill in the data gaps for complete environmental pathway analysis and HRS evaluation.

In the attached report, the draft HRS scoring information and all references to the scores have been removed. HRS scoring and the listing of sites on the NPL is a rule-making process within the EPA and this information is withheld until the Agency makes a listing decision.

At this time since NWIRP St. Louis is working under the Resource Conservations and Recovery Act (RCRA) part B and is working on a corrective action with RCRA, the EPA will suspended Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) actions at this time. Because the site was put on the Federal Facility Docket December 2000 and then site was sold October 2001. The EPA will keep the site in CERCLA and on the Federal Facility Docket until the Superfund program has documentation that the site is cleaner

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We are sending copy of this report to Mr. Robert Geller and Mr. Rich Nussbaum of the Missouri Department of Natural Resources. Please direct any questions and/or comments on this report to Ms. Diana J. Bailey at (913) 551-7717 or e-mail at bailey.diana@epa.gov.

Sincerely;



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Enclosures: Final Federal Facility Preliminary Assessment Review

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